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**The Daily Press.**

HONGKONG, FEBRUARY 28TH, 1906.

It is idle to deny that a state of tension which at any moment may become dangerous, and even break out into open violence, is wide-spread in China. It has, it is true, come upon us suddenly, but the causes have been long at work, and may be said to permeate the Empire, and not the Empire only, but to extend to the numerous colonies of Chinese abroad, especially in the United States. The first and most deep-seated cause is the knowledge that has dawned on the masses of China that, however great and respected in the distant past, when the nations of the world, as she knew them then, from Parthia to Japan, and the East Indian Islands, hastened to secure her goodwill, and did not hesitate to pay homage at her Court, China in these modern days has been idly standing by; while her neighbours both in Europe and America have been steadily advancing both in knowledge and power; and now in turn expect the homage which China in her own days of greatness as rigorously demanded herself from the nations who sought her friendship. Now all this is changed and those nations, even, that are not plotting openly her partition are doing what to an over-sensitive mind is almost as galling, and extending a sympathy which the masses, too inexperienced to appreciate its meaning, have taken to resenting as almost an insult. There is likewise a second reason, almost as difficult for the mind to appreciate. In the old China the condition was looked upon as little

removed from a renegade; by the very fact he had forfeited every claim to be looked upon as a son of Han, and his government for long refused to recognise his existence even, much less to acknowledge his wrongs as in any way its concern. It was England that first by attempting to legislate for the better treatment of these waifs and strays drew the attention of the Chinese Government to the effects of its neglect. The usefulness of the Chinese immigrant soon came to be recognised in those countries wherein he had made his new home, and he was encouraged under specious promises, too often broken on his landing, to come; till at last, especially in the South American States he came to be placed on the level of the Negro slave, and was meted out even worse treatment. In the Western States of America he was at first received with open arms, which he repaid by being the main factor in the building up of the State of California at that time only communicating with the main body of the States by dangerous tracks across the Rocky Mountains or by a long and difficult voyage round Cape Horn. With the making of the Panama Railway, and still more effectively by the building of the first trans-continental line, the great West was first put in effective communication with the Eastern States, and the Chinaman cut off from his own country was made to feel the incidence of the new proletariat who now assumed the lead in the government. Then commenced the era of anti-Chinese legislation, to which the Chinaman could only oppose his own stubborn and individual resistance. Still he managed on the whole to thrive, and bred up with that peculiar clamorousness which is at once the weakness and the strong point of the race, and looking eventually to making his last home in his native land, he remitted home the greater part of his hard-earned savings. This drew down upon him in a still stronger degree the hatred of the proletariat, but at the same time it increased his influence at home.

Resenting keenly the neglect of his Government, which in his eyes had by its indifference aggravated his hardships, the emigrant Chinaman became bitterly anti-dynastic, and through his wealth and growing influence at home has been able to make that influence felt. Perhaps not altogether unnaturally with this disaffection toward his Government has been conjoined a resentment against the Western foreigner, against whom too often he has had very well founded causes of complaint. The expiry of the term of the anti-Chinese legislation, to which his Government had lent its sanction, partly because it had no power of resistance, but partly, there is no doubt, through the influence of the ill-omened Burlingame treaties, whose effects have been so disastrous to the best interests of China, has been marked throughout China by a general revulsion of feeling. Willingly the Government of the United States would have removed or ameliorated the worst of the difficulties under which the Chinese immigrant laboured; but it was not strong enough to contain the powerful proletariat, which under the constitution of the States keeps effectively in its hands the entire legislation of the country. But besides this increasingly powerful faction even in China itself, there is another even more influential party, that of the reformers, which cannot be lightly disregarded. Vexed at the low estate into which misgovernment has permitted the country to fall, it contrived to convert to its own ideas even the Emperor on the Throne; but, although that attempt was rudely suppressed at the time, the example of Japan, who has by heroic efforts contrived to free herself from the leading strings of the West, has not been lost, and the new party of Reform has become an overwhelming force, which for good or evil has to be reckoned with. That the more level-headed and able-minded leaders are firmly opposed to the exercise of force, and desire above all things that the nation may be left to work out its own salvation, it is no less a fact than that a considerable section are desirous of throwing down the gauntlet to the world at large, and it is in this section, largely composed of the "Young China" party, that the power for mischief resides. It is true that this section has not the confidence of the nation at large, but it is largely represented amongst the governing classes, and some recent appointments, as that of the reactionary Tsoai Yuen to high office in the capital, would seem to indicate that it still has considerable influence in Peking itself. Now the recent action of the United States Government in reinforcing its military garrison in the Philippines may

not be altogether prompted by any fear of complications in China, and seems rather to be at bottom influenced by uneasiness in the new colony. The Government at Washington, new to the task of gaining the confidence of an Eastern population, undoubtedly finds itself at Manila in a difficult position, which Congress, wedded to the old school of home politics, refuses to face, and declines to come to its assistance on the direct issue. But making every allowance for this, there is no doubt that the statesmen at Washington are, not altogether satisfied with the position in the East generally. With true British nonchalance we are probably making too light of the present influence at work; such was notoriously the case in India prior to the great Mutiny, such was our position in South Africa prior to the outbreak of the recent war, and such, it may be added, was our conduct before the affair of 1900 in Peking. Those on the spot to whom the new movement comes home every day of their lives do not look without apprehension on the present complications. Well led and well conducted the present movements may have the useful effect of restoring to international dignity the Government of China, but in present hands it is far more likely to lead to her extinction amongst the nations. Our telegrams from Shanghai prepare us for some such denouement.

The 39th plague fatality was recorded yesterday.

The Korean people pay Y20,000,000 in taxes to their officials, but of this only Y8,000,000 reaches the Government, the rest being squeezed.

The new China Merchants' str. *Hainkong* was successfully launched on Feb. 23rd and is moored in the river opposite Farnham, Boyd & Co.'s Pootung Works.

Operations on the Annam-Yunnan railway have been commenced by France, but as China continues to make pretexts for interference, the French Minister has lodged a strong protest with the Foreign Office.

Owing to the interruption of the cable between Hongkong and Foochow, traffic with Shanghai and places North is subject to considerable delay. Restoration is expected in a couple of days.

It is telegraphically reported in the N.C. Daily News that China has decided to transform Tibet into a province, and to send a high official there as an envoy to control domestic and diplomatic affairs. He will be subsequently promoted, Viceroy of Tibet Province.

The N.C. Daily News, in a leader about Chinese and foreign relations, says: "Ladies who think we treat the Chinese here too much as inferiors should live in Hongkong for a little while and see how they like the position which the Chinese have assumed there in the streets."

A Peking telegram to the N.C. Daily News says: "The Russian Minister has unearthed a secret agreement between China and a Belgian syndicate for a loan to the former from the latter for the cost of the railway projected by the military Governor of Yili, and has lodged a protest against the unfairness of admitting any other foreign capital for a railway so closely connected with Russia. The Waiwupu has thereupon been obliged to order the cancellation of the agreement."

Bishop Scott at Peking is reported to have said: "I believe it to be wholly untrue that the unseemly contentions and rivalries of the missionaries are a chief obstacle to the dissemination of the truth amongst the Chinese. I hold it to be a manifest proof of the Holy Spirit's working that there is amongst the missionaries in China an almost entire absence of theological bitterness, and party rivalry, and there is an atmosphere in which, if anywhere, the spirit of a true unity will flourish."

Writing of the death of Florence of Mrs. Haylar, the N.C. Daily News says: "She was the eldest daughter of the late Mr. Charles C. Black, M. A., Assistant Keeper at the South Kensington Museum some 35 years ago. During her long sojourn at Hongkong, where her husband occupied a very prominent position at the Bar, and was for a time Acting-Judge, their house was a favourite reunion for residents and visitors to the Colony; and their hospitality was proverbial. Of late years, Mr. and Mrs. Haylar had resided at the Villa Alberti, Florence, where they were highly esteemed by the colony of Anglo-Indians and others who have made Florence their home, and where Mrs. Haylar breathed her last."

Yesterday an Indian constable on duty near Jardine's wharf at Causeway Bay found the dead body of a coolie in the mud. On dragging him out it was found that his feet were bound by a cord which extended to his neck and was there made fast. At first sight the case looked like one of murder, but on further investigation the police did not consider it was. They are of opinion that the man died suddenly, probably of heart failure, and that his friends decided to "dump" him, hence the reason for the cord, by which he would be fastened to a bamboo pole and conveyed to what they intended to be his last resting place. The result of the post-mortem examination will probably unravel the mystery.

The N.C. Herald understands that Her Imperial Majesty the Empress Dowager has granted from the Privy Purse the sum of Tls. 100,000 to start a Normal School for girls in Peking, on the understanding that in addition there shall be a department for the instruction of agriculture and another for the teaching of embroidery and other fancy work.

The Peking Times remarks: "Certain places seem peculiarly identified with certain kinds of tragedy. Yokohama, for instance, has long been famous for its suicides, and Hongkong, as we have more than once remarked, is peculiarly noted for collapsing buildings and persons falling off the verandahs. Last Hongkong mail, which reached us a few days ago, brought news of the manager of the China Merchants' death in this painful way, and now we regret to read that Mr. G. A. Chalmers, senior sub-accountant of the Chartered Bank, received fatal injuries through falling over the balustrade of his mess and died in hospital on Jan. 26th. There must surely be some woefully inadequate style of construction prevalent in the colony, or Hongkong residents native and foreign are extremely reckless in the way they hang over verandah rails."

## NETHERLANDS TRADING SOCIETY.

OPENING AT HONGKONG.  
To-morrow a branch of the Bank known as the Nederlandsche Handel-Maatschappij, or Netherlands Trading Society, will be opened at Queen's Buildings.

This Society, which was established by Royal Charter in 1824, occupies a prominent position among leading companies. Its head office is at Amsterdam, while branches are established throughout the Netherlands Indies, and in the Straits Settlements, British India, China and West India.

From the balance sheet to December 31st 1904, which was presented to shareholders at the annual general meeting held on June 20th, 1905, we note that the company has a paid up capital of 45,000,000 guilders, or £3,750,000, and a reserve fund of 5,000,000 guilders, or £416,667. In addition to these figures the fixed deposits with its head office and Eastern branches aggregate £3,790,297. The net profits for the year under review, after deducting current expenses and writing off bad debts, and with the addition of the balance carried forward from 1903, were £23,498, out of which a dividend of eleven per cent. was paid.

## A CHINESE OPTIMIST.

The writer of "Notes on Native Affairs" in the N.C. Daily News says on Feb. 24th: "Chinese of all grades are wondering where all these alarming reports have come from about an epidemic rising. A Nanking despatch states that Viceroy Chou Fu was warned the other day by the British Consul at Nanking, who in his turn is said to have got his information from his brother Consul in Chinkiang, that the Sixth Regiment stationed in Chinkiang was meditating rebellion. Secret instructions were at once sent by the Viceroy to the officer commanding the troops garrisoning Chinkiang and vicinity to make careful investigations into the matter, but in spite of the most searching enquiries no signs of anything to confirm the alarming news given by the British Consul at Nanking, or to give cause for suspicion to the authorities that anything improper was on foot. Of course there is a talk about meditated risings of secret societies in the Yangtze Valley, but those reports are periodic, and have been heard every spring for the past ten years. As a matter of fact as far as those who watch current events are aware, there was no secret or other body of men, other in the Northern, Southern, or Central provinces which may be said to be strong enough at the present moment to make any stir in the country which would give cause for special alarm to the authorities."

## NEW STATUE AT SHANGHAI.

LI HUNG CHANG HONOURED.  
The N.C. Daily News reports an interesting and unique ceremony which took place at the Memorial Temple to the late Marquis Li Hung-chang on Siewai Road, Shanghai, a few days ago. The statue, which was to be unveiled, was presented to the family of China's great statesman by Messrs. H. Mandl & Co., as agents for the famous Krupp Company of Essen. Among these present were representatives from several consulates, and most of the leading commercial houses, while it would be safe to say that few Chinese officials resident in Shanghai were absent. The guests on arrival were received by a guard of honour, consisting of two companies of Chinese soldiers which had been invited to the approach to the temple. The assembled company gathered round the statue, which was hidden from view by a large red curtain.

Mr. Mandl, speaking in Chinese, said they were present for the unveiling of a statue of H. F. Li Hung-chang, Grand Secretary of the Wen Hsa Throne Hall, Viceroy of Chihli, and Marquis of the first class. He was one of the principal makers of history in the East during the nineteenth century. Wherever he had done work special memorial temples had been erected by Imperial command, part of the funds being provided by the Government and part by voluntary contributions of the gentry and people. Europeans commemorated notable deeds by erecting statues of metal or stone so that future generations might look on them and gain inspiration. The deeds of H. F. Li Hung-chang had been truly remarkable, and therefore he (Mr. Mandl) and his partners had asked Mr. Liang of Munich, to cast this statue, which had now been brought thousands of miles across the seas to China. It was placed in Shanghai, because that was the town where most foreigners and Chinese congregated, where many ships came, and where the railways had their termini. He and his partners had served H. F. Li Hung-chang for twenty years, and they felt grateful to him for his kindness. This statue was erected that future ages might know their gratitude to him, and all Europeans who knew of his deeds would say that what had been done was right.

The statue is mounted on a granite pedestal, on which is a bronze plate with a Chinese inscription. The statue itself is of bronze, and is ten feet in height. It represents the veteran statesman in his official robes and hat, with a sword in his left hand. The comeliness of the bronze is relieved by the gilt with which the jacket is covered. It is an imposing piece of work, a worthy memorial of one of China's greatest men. H. F. Li Ching-mai, the only son of the late Marquis, is going to Austria, to which country he has been appointed Minister.

## TELEGRAMS.

["DAILY PRESS" EXCLUSIVE SERVICE.]  
**TERRIBLE FIRE RAGING IN CANTON.**

CANTON, February 27th.  
A terrible fire is raging opposite the British Shambien Bridge.

**MISSIONARIES MURDERED IN KIANGSI.**

SHANGHAI, 26th February.  
A purely local outbreak has occurred at Nanchangfu in Kiangsi Province.

It is reported that some French priests invited the local Chinese magistrate to a banquet, where refusing to agree to the demands of the priests for a large indemnity the magistrate either committed suicide or was attacked and killed by the French priests.

A mob promptly assembled and killed six Roman Catholic priests, burnt all the mission premises except the buildings of the China Inland Mission.

The Rev. Mr. Kingham, of the Plymouth Brethren Mission, with his wife and two children were also murdered.

Fourteen American Missionaries escaped by boat.

There is now no communication with Nanchang.

**REPORTED EMEUTE AT PEKING.**

SHANGHAI, 27th February.  
It is believed that an emeute has occurred at Peking.

It is reported that troops under Yuan Shih-kai are surrounding the Palace.

[EDITOR'S SERVICE.]

## VOLCANOES ACTIVE.

LONDON, February 25th.  
Advices from New York state that Mont Pelée and La Soufrière are active, and there is a panic in Martinique, earthquakes have occurred in the islands, the most severe that have been felt for years.

**THE CHINESE COMMISSIONERS.**

LONDON, February 25th.  
The Chinese Commissioners have arrived in London.

**GERMAN AMERICAN COMMERCIAL TREATY.**

LONDON, February 25th.  
In consequence of fruitless negotiations to conclude the commercial treaty with America, the Reichstag has agreed to extend the "most favoured nation treatment" for one year, thus averting a tariff war.

**THE WOMEN'S FRANCHISE BILL.**

LONDON, February 25th.  
Sir Charles Dilke's Women's Franchise Bill provides that every man and woman shall be qualified to vote, and that no person shall be disqualified by sex or marriage from being a member of either of the Houses of Parliament.

**THE MOROCCO CONFERENCE.**

LONDON, February 25th.  
The Moors have now submitted a State Bank scheme to the Algeiras Conference, thus further complicating the situation.

**THE WHITAKER WRIGHT LIQUIDATION.**

LONDON, February 25th.  
The Liquidator of Whitaker Wright's 'London and Globe Finance Corporation' reports that the assets have only realized half a million, instead of three millions expected; and that there will consequently be no return to shareholders.

**FRENCH TROOPS IN KIANGSI.**

The following clipping seems to throw a little more light on one of our telegrams in this issue: "A Peking despatch states that there is much indignation in the North and also in the Two Kiang provinces at what is an alleged recent breach of faith on the part of the French on the Kiangsi-Tongking borders. Since 1903 there has been a body of French troops quartered at Lungchow, owing to the insurrection in Kiangsi. As this has been now suppressed, the French authorities consented recently to withdraw their troops across the frontier. News has now been received that instead of leaving Lungchow the French have suddenly increased their forces there by over 3,000 men. There is said to be great excitement over this in the South and remonstrances have been made to the French Government by the Waiwupu."

## THE TEACHING OF HYGIENE IN SCHOOLS.

The report by Mr. E. A. Irving, Inspector of Schools, on the teaching of hygiene in the schools of Hongkong, affords interesting reading. Mr. Irving says:—

"There is no doubt in my mind that a really practical knowledge of the rudiments of hygiene has been acquired. That was my impression before the examination, the results of which only serve to confirm it. The best Papers were full and accurate, the worst contained singularly little of the meaningless verbiage which examiners learn to look for at the bottom of any considerable number of papers. On the contrary, the worst papers, with few exceptions, gave me the idea that the writers were either struggling to express a correct idea, though language failed them; or else they were in the position of one who has fully comprehended an argument, but finds that he is unable to recollect all the stages thereof, when he wishes to reproduce it. Many faults also were faults of omission rather than of commission. As an example, I will quote one of the worst replies of the worst boy in the worst team to the question on the uses of cooking. He says:—"Because food has millions of germs in it, and they make us have many diseases, so that we cook our food to destroy all germs and we can escape from diseases."

The papers were very fair, if I may be allowed to say so. I cannot help regretting the absence of a question on the sources of malaria. Thanks to the action of the Government, that disease is disappearing from Hongkong; but its prophylaxis will not cease to be of vital importance to Chinese boys, so long as they continue to return for their holidays to fever-ridden homes."

Turning to the methods employed in teaching the subject, I do not think all the teachers taught as much by experiments as they might have done. A few seem to be unable to dissociate the word from the ideas of stoppered bottles and small explosions. A little ingenuity is indeed required. I have been asked with rhetorical effect, whether I proposed to show classes by experiment the effects of an excess of carbon dioxide. And yet by breathing through a straw into lime water (a preparation which no family is without) the ravages of this gas may be illustrated in the most startling manner. I wonder how many of the pupils who dissembled on damp courses, had been taken to the nearest "house" under construction to see one.

The elementary course is not long, and few children leave English and Anglo-Chinese schools before reaching the fourth standard. If they do, I do not think they will have been able to assimilate much of the teaching in so short a time. I am, therefore, of opinion that instruction in hygiene might be deferred till standard IV. The handbook is really too hard for standard III. to use as a reader.

During 1905 the total number of children receiving instruction in hygiene was 1,524.

## GERMAN EMPEROR'S SILVER WEDDING.

To celebrate the occasion of the silver wedding of the Emperor and Empress of Germany, Dr. Kruger, German Consul, was "at home" at the Consulate yesterday morning. Many friends and local officials called to tender their congratulations, amongst others being Captain Arbuthnot Leslie, A.D.C., representing H. E. the Governor, and members of the Consular corps. The German warships and a number of the merchantmen in port dressed ship in honour of the occasion, and at noon the flagship *Prinz Bismarck* fired a royal salute.

## THE CITY HALL.

REPORT FOR 1905.  
The report to be submitted to the annual meeting of shareholders in, and subscribers to, the City Hall, to be held on Feb. 25th, contains the following statements:—

Hon. Mr. J. W. Gresson resigned the position of chairman in May last, when the Hon. Mr. C. W. Dickson, on returning to the Colony, again became chairman.

In March, 1905, Mr. A. G. Wood was added to the committee, which now consists of the chairman, Mr. B. Layton (Hon. Treasurer), Mr. H. N. Mody, Mr. N. A. Stobs, Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock, K.C., and Mr. A. G. Wood.

The building has been maintained in a fair state of general repair, the usual annual inspection being made by the architects, Messrs. Palmer and Turner, in September.

The total of theatre rents collected was \$10,362.25, showing a decrease from last year's rents, which were exceptionally high.

The rents collected for the use of the assembly rooms amounted to \$3,393.50, nearly \$1,000 less than in 1904.

In the spring the committee voted \$1,000 for additions to the free lending library and 339 standard works, selected with great care, have been added to this collection, and 50 books have been renewed. A supplement to the catalogue has been prepared but not printed. 169 new borrowers' tickets were issued during the year, and at its close 349 borrowers' names were on the register—a considerable increase on last year. The borrowers include 74 ladies, 25 Government servants, 32 naval and 43 military men, 22 mercantile marine officers and 105 clerks and mercantile assistants. Over 6,700 books were issued, of which 90 per cent. were fiction, 44 per cent. travel, 14 per cent. biography, 4 per cent. poetry, and 34 per cent. miscellaneous.

The balance in the hands of the treasurer on closing the accounts for 1905 was \$2,334.63, while \$15,300 (including interest) is on fixed deposit with the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank. The ordinary revenues amounted to \$15,037.01, a considerable falling off from 1904, the ordinary expenditure was \$10,973.64, while \$5,432.23 was spent on special repairs and renewals, and liabilities to the extent of about \$13.00 are outstanding on this account.

A rough analysis of the accounts give the following figures:—Theatre, income \$10,400, expenditure \$5,400, surplus \$5,000; Ball Rooms, etc., income \$3,400, expenditure \$4,100, deficit \$700; Library, Government grant \$600, expenditure \$4,500, deficit \$3,900; Museum, Government grant \$800, expenditure \$2,400, deficit \$1,600. The net loss of \$1,400 was made up by the transfer from the reserve fund.



## SUPREME COURT.

Monday, February 26th.

## IN BANKRUPTCY JURISDICTION.

BEFORE SIR FRANCIS PIGOTT (CHIEF JUSTICE).

## A QUESTION OF PROCEDURE.

Judgment was given in the action re Han Fak Cheung from ex parte the Hung Yuen Bank.

His Lordship said—There are two questions of some importance raised in this case, and as they were new I took time to consider them. Dealing first with the point raised under the Legal Practitioners Ordinance, 1871, section 33, I do not think even if it were applicable to the present case it would come under the order giving the solicitor a charge on the property secured after it has been appropriated to another object by process of law. Now I do not think that such an order would achieve the end which the solicitor in this case has in view. It would only be applicable as between him and his client, whereas what the solicitor wants is an order in favour of his client and as between that client and the creditor in the bankruptcy. He is, however, entitled to a charge upon such property that is recovered out of the bankruptcy on behalf of his client and I make such order. Coming now to the application under section 1 (3) of the Bankruptcy Ordinance the position presents to my mind grave difficulties, because the words of this section are sufficiently clear and the Official Receiver could not do otherwise than report as he has done. The property of the debtor has been preserved by the expeditious proceeding adopted by the solicitor in attaching the property and the bankrupt estate has benefited by it. He had at the same time notice of an available act of bankruptcy committed by the debtor and, therefore, in the words of the section he was not entitled to priority of payment of his costs of these proceedings. I could, of course, not take into consideration the hardship if it results from the law, but I thought it advisable to pause before deciding this case, because it was apparent that a very unsatisfactory state of affairs would result from an adverse order in this case. Proceedings by way of attachment where there is an absconding debtor would be abandoned and in every case proceedings in bankruptcy would be started in lieu thereof. We should then have half-a-dozen bankruptcies petitions in Court. The Official Receiver himself admitted that to support his report he must contend that bankruptcy proceedings should have been immediately started in view of proceedings by writ and subsequent attachment. This cannot have been contemplated by the Bankruptcy Ordinance, because the plaintiff in this action took proceedings which the law allowed him to take. The law, in fact, gives a creditor at least two remedies in the case of an absconding debtor: one to proceed under the Common Code of Procedure to attach property, the other by proceedings in bankruptcy. If there are two remedies, there cannot be only one; and if I were so to construe the Bankruptcy Ordinance I should be destroying the remedy of attachment, which is, since the Common Code of Procedure has taken its present form, the latest in point of time. It is perfectly true that if bankruptcy proceedings are started by another creditor the property recovered may have to go into the common fund, but that is no reason why the one creditor should lose priority for his costs, which is the statutory reward of his diligence. It is a sound rule that, where two enactments are apparently in contradiction, the Court should never put an absurdity upon the words of one, but should construe the words of the other so as to give effect to both. In the Bankruptcy Ordinance can only mean an act of bankruptcy for which the law provides no other remedy. I am glad to say that the learned Paines Judge concurs in this interpretation; and the Official Receiver also, though he was bound to raise the point. There is this unsatisfactory side to the decision that there are two sets of costs with priority: those of the plaintiff in the action and those of the petitioning creditor in the bankruptcy. If such a case should occur again the Official Receiver's attention must be directed to the matter, and the Court will make such order on the hearing of the bankruptcy petition as the case seems to require. I, therefore, make the order asked for.

Tuesday, February 27th.

## IN ORIGINAL JURISDICTION.

BEFORE SIR FRANCIS PIGOTT (CHIEF JUSTICE).

## THE PEAK TRAMWAY LITIGATION.

The hearing of the action at the instance of D. E. Brown and others against the Hongkong High Level Tramway Company and Messrs. J. D. Humphreys and Son was resumed. Mr. H. E. Pollock, K.C., appeared for the plaintiffs. He was instructed by Mr. Geo. Hastings (of the office of Mr. John Hastings) in the interests of plaintiff and by Mr. C. D. Wilkinson on behalf of the other defendants. Mr. E. H. Sharp, K.C., and Mr. M. W. Slade, instructed by Mr. Harston (of Messrs. Ewins, Harston and Harding), appeared for the defendants.

Mr. Sharp, resuming his address, said he proposed to deal with the law and reply to the points raised by the plaintiffs. Referring to the notice convening the meeting, which was said by the other side to be inadequate, they made two answers. If the transaction came under section 201 of the Company's Ordinance, it was enough that it should be indicated the section need not be named. Counsel read judgments in support of his contention, and said those showed that the notice would have been good if it had given notice that a resolution would be passed and that authority would be given to the liquidators to carry

out the arrangement. Alluding to the action of the plaintiffs, he would not put it so high as to say that they meant to ruin the Company if they did not get the price they wanted for their shares. For three months plaintiff was prepared to treat the resolution as valid but finally he said—perhaps not in these words—I have got this control over you: I will ruin you unless you pay me. His attitude was a threatening one with a view to getting his terms. While he admitted it was a small point, shareholders were to be taken to know the Ordinance under which his company subsists and his own memorandum of articles.

His Lordship remarked that the decisions recited yesterday showed that judges had different opinions as to whether shareholders should be held to know their articles.

Mr. Sharp then proceeded to argue that the transaction did not come under section 201 of their Ordinance but under 101 of their own regulations—the ordinary power of winding up. The sale of the undertaking was part of the winding up and it was, within the power of the liquidator even without special sanction from the shareholders but more so if he has such sanction to sell the undertaking. The liquidator under a voluntary winding up was in a better position than an official liquidator acting under the Court. Under such a winding up the minority of shareholders would be obliged to fall in with the arrangement or have the option of taking cash or anything else for their shares. Proceeding, he argued that the purpose of section 201 was under reconstruction schemes to assist shareholders who did not desire to join the new company and who would be compelled apart from that section either to join the new company or sacrifice their interests. There was no reconstruction case coming within section 201 except where the shareholder must take shares or nothing. The *prima facie* case was that the shareholders should get cash, but if he chose to move in the matter he would be allowed to take shares instead. If he does nothing he would get cash—\$2,000, as in the present case. The crucial question was this—could the present reconstruction arrangement be carried out apart from the section? As he had pointed out in the cases read the arrangement permitted by the section could not be carried out apart from the section. Could this be? Clearly it could. The liquidator could have entered into an arrangement under which he sold the company out and out at a fixed price per share and that arrangement would have been binding on any dissentient—binding indeed upon the company. The case did not fall under section 161, and it followed that the dissentients had no right to arbitrate. With regard to the second point raised in the statement of claim that the notice did not sufficiently indicate the scheme, he would say that what was required was that a notice should show the general nature of the business to be considered. It must not be read strictly but, as many cases said, in the way that an ordinary business man would.

His Lordship—The notice seems to give a general idea that the company is going to be reconstructed, but the agreement does not seem to carry out the idea of re-construction. The old company is to be sold to the new company. The difficulty in my mind is that there is no re-construction that I can see. The liquidators are merely to sell the old undertaking to the new company and the new company is to be an independent body with an independent capital. Re-construction is turning the old company into a new one. I cannot see in this agreement anything about capital.

Mr. Sharp—That is a point I am coming to; I will explain what is re-construction.

His Lordship—That is getting back to the old point—that the notice does not give sufficient information as to how the scheme is to be carried out.

Mr. Sharp—If your Lordship will allow me to go on with my argument and then ask me for information for any points it will, I think, be better. An essential feature of re-construction is the winding up of the old company. Then the new company is formed for the purpose of carrying on the other undertaking of the old company and usually for another purpose as well.

His Lordship—I cannot see that in the agreement.

Mr. Sharp—It acquires the old company's business.

His Lordship—I cannot see how it acquires it. It is not merely a sale of the old company to the new one.

Mr. Sharp—Yes, for the purpose of carrying on the work. The old is wound up and sold to the new.

After this.

Mr. Sharp said that, according to Buckley, re-construction bore no fixed technical meaning, but the most essential part of a re-construction was the formation of a new company to take over the assets of the old one.

His Lordship asked if it were possible to have a re-construction without section 161. In *Palmer* it was laid down that there were the following modes of re-construction. The first was by special act of Parliament, the second by means of a sale sanctioned by the Court, and the third by a voluntary winding up and proceeding under section 161; the fourth by means of an exchange of shares followed by a voluntary winding up, the fifth by means of a sale before winding up to be paid in shares of the new company.

Mr. Sharp—Supposing there had been no allusion to shares here and that it was wound up and a liquidator appointed, who sold the undertaking to the new company simultaneously created for the purpose. It does not matter what the proceeding is called. It is a legitimate transaction which would result in the new company carrying on the business of the old. Whether it is called "re-construction,"

"re-organisation" or "amalgamation" is quite immaterial.

His Lordship—The difficulty I felt was whether the re-construction as mentioned in the notice that the undertaking would be sold to the new company, and as you put it a compulsory sale of shares for cash is possibly a re-construction.

Mr. Sharp—You can only set aside such a transaction on the ground that it is fraudulent. The company was wound up by the consent of the majority and the liquidator was appointed. He has statutory powers and he chose to sell to the new company.

His Lordship—The precedent of re-construction did not contemplate that.

Mr. Sharp—I don't think it matters what the transaction is called.

His Lordship—The point now is whether there was sufficient notice to the shareholders whether the notice which was first re-construction was sufficient as it afterwards turned out to be proceedings by way of sale to a new company for cash.

Mr. Sharp—It is not re-construction under the Act. It is wholly independent of the Act. It was a perfectly proper transaction which may or may not technically be called re-construction. Continuing his argument, counsel indicated that the \$10,000 paid out of the funds of the old company to Benjamin, Kelly and Potts was for brokerage and legal and other expenses—not for promotion, as stated. He dealt with the grounds of objection urged by plaintiff against the resolutions, and afterwards replied to various points which arose in the course of debate. The first was the mode of arbitration. Although they had offered arbitration they denied that plaintiff was entitled to arbitration. They might consider the mode of arbitration to which he was entitled. Upon that point he would only observe that the articles overrode section 202. He also submitted that in any event the resolution to wind up was valid and the other resolutions could be confirmed. Whatever happened, the old company was in liquidation. Another point was that his Lordship could not consider the case of shareholders away from the Colony. The articles provided for a ten days' notice and those who were beyond the radius of that notice must leave attorneys. If they did not do so or the attorneys declined to act, the shareholders themselves must abide by the consequence. Passing on to another matter, he would suggest as a proposition of law that the Court was always disposed to support the majority against a dissentient minority in anything the majority was empowered to do and may have done irregularly. Of course he did not admit that they had done anything irregular, what would happen if the plaintiff succeeded in this case?

His Lordship—Obtaining the injunction?

Mr. Sharp—Yes, one of two things would happen. The resolution would have to be passed over again. There is no doubt about that. A point must not be overlooked that we are not the new company after all, although we are in a position to exercise control. The new company has been registered with our consent, and it could act independent of us. If it did we should be left in an awkward position. It has entered into a binding agreement to buy Smith's concession from the China Commercial Company and will have to carry out that agreement. It might carry out the new line after all. I don't say it would. But one of these two things must occur. Either we pass this resolution over again or what would be infinitely worse the new company, being in a position, might act against us and do what the majority of shareholders decided to prevent by agreeing to amalgamation. I submit also that the new company ought to be joined in this case.

His Lordship—Plaintiffs seek an injunction to prevent the resolution being carried out, and you say the new company should have been joined?

Mr. Sharp—Yes. He added that to set aside that resolution would be setting aside the agreement, and that could not be done without the new company being before the Court. Dealing with the personal aspect of the case, he pointed out that plaintiff knew about the scheme before he attended the meeting, because he referred to newspaper articles on the subject and discussed it in detail. If there was any insufficiency in the notice, the plaintiff failed on that ground. He acquiesced in the validity of the resolution and never suggested it was invalid until he failed to get out of the liquidation of the \$25 per share which he wanted. The Court rose at 4.20.

"MISCHIEVOUS INTERFERENCE."

In reference to Mr. Douglas Story's telegram to the *London Tribune* as to his having received from the hands of the Emperor of Corea a protest against the action of Japan and a demand for a European protectorate, similar action having been taken by Mr. Hulbert at Washington, the *Japan Daily Mail* says that it is possible to make excuses for Mr. Story, who does not know much about Far Eastern affairs, but Mr. Hulbert has lived a long time in Corea, and the *Mail* says—

"What future does he foresee for that country if it be removed from Japan's protection? Does he imagine that it can stand alone or does he desire to see Seoul once again restored to its old welter of international intrigue? Does he care anything for the welfare of the Koreans themselves, and does he imagine for one moment that their happiness would be better promoted by remaining under the administrative sway of the Min and the Li's who have hitherto edified the world by their corruption and oppression, than by placing under the direction of a statesman like Marquis Ito, and by being brought within full range of the enlightenment represented by Japan? We cannot but call the action of these agitators simply mischievous interference calculated to work incalculable mischief did there not stand between their giddiness and practical results that fortunate bulwark, the solid common-sense of Europe and America."

## POLICE COURT.

Tuesday, February 27th.

BEFORE MR. F. A. HAZELAND (FIRST POLICE MAGISTRATE).

## ASSAULT.

A. Pereira was charged with assaulting the conductor of tramcar No. 10.

H. J. Gedge, sworn, said he was returning from the races on the off-day in the said car, by which defendant was also a passenger. When near Arsenal Street he saw the defendant run up alongside the car and say something to the conductor, which the man did not apparently understand, but he eased down in speed. The defendant again approached the conductor and struck him on the head. Witness told the conductor to take defendant's name and address and summons him. He also asked the defendant why he dealt the blow, to which Pereira replied that there was a lady in the back part of the car who wanted to get out.

After further evidence had been heard, defendant was asked what he had to say. He stated that he was travelling in the rear of the car with his sister. He got out, but before she could the car moved on. He ran up and told the motorman to stop. The car slowed down, but did not stop. He ran forward again and told the conductor to stop the car, at the same time tapping him on the hand.

His Worship held that there was no justification for defendant's action, and ordered him to pay a fine of \$10.

BEFORE MR. C. D. MELLORNE (SECOND POLICE MAGISTRATE).

## LARCENY.

Wong Fat and Li Ho were charged with snatching a purse, containing \$37, from a native who had just arrived from Singapore.

Inspector Warneck stated that as the complainant was walking along Queen's Road on Monday he was accosted by the first defendant near Ladder Street. While they were talking the defendant snatched his purse and ran away. Complainant pursued him, and as he gained on Wong the defendant threw the purse to the second defendant who disappeared with it. The matter was reported to the Police, and later in the day the defendants were arrested.

The first defendant admitted the charge, but said the second took no part in the robbery. As no evidence could be produced to prove that he did, he was discharged. His Worship sentenced the first defendant to six weeks' hard labour and six hours' sticks.

ROTH IN THE WAY.

Chief Engineer John, of the German steamer *Jordif*, proceeded against A. Leach on summons on a charge of assault.

The Chief Engineer stated that on the 26th instant when leaving his room to go on deck, he met the defendant coming from the mess room. As he was not on good terms with the defendant he went to the right to avoid meeting him; the defendant altered his direction and walked towards him. Witness said—

"Why don't you get out of my road?" The defendant did not reply, but struck him a blow on the jaw. He reported the matter to the Chief Officer, the police flag was hoisted and the defendant given in charge. Leach was formerly second engineer, but in consequence of what happened at Vladivostok in January he was degraded, and was being returned home as a passenger. During Monday forenoon defendant constantly tried to annoy complainant. On one occasion when witness was passing defendant's room he heard him say—"Draw the curtain; don't let the monkeys look in."

In his statement defendant told his Worship that he tried to avoid complainant, but could not as the latter always got in his way. When they met in the alleyway complainant pushed him and said—"Why don't you get out of my way?" Defendant then did likewise, and asked a similar question, but did not strike the complainant.

His Worship bound defendant over in the sum of \$100 to keep the peace for six months.

ROYAL HONGKONG YACHT CLUB.

## EIGHTH CLUB RACE.

Championship Class.—This race was sailed on Sunday last in a strong wind. *Dione* had the bad luck to touch Lyman Beacon in rounding. *Elspeth* won very easily.Elspeth... 1 10 20  
Vernon... 1 19 45  
Dione... disqualifiedOne Design Class.—This was sailed on a previous Sunday by mutual consent. As there was no starter, times were not taken, but *Kathleen* was quite easily on a fluky day.Order of finish—*Kathleen*, *Colleen*, *Mix* and *Bonito*.Handicap Class.—Master Slade was unfortunately prevented by his doctor from sailing at the last moment. His crew, Capt. Ward therefore, took the tiller, and came in first. Not being a member of the club, his win cannot count for marks. An objection against *Gloria* starting was not sustained.Abraham... 1 30 3  
Gloria... 1 37 57  
Chanticleer... 1 35 54  
Doreen... 2 6 3Corrected.  
1 29 42 (1)  
1 31 19 (2)  
1 54 3 (3)

## WEATHER REPORT.

The Hongkong Observatory yesterday issued the following report:—On the 27th at 12.15 p.m.—The barometer has continued to rise on the S. coast of China. Returns from the greater part of the stations are entirely lacking.

Anti-cyclonic conditions apparently prevail over China, and strong monsoon may be expected over the N. part of the China Sea. Forecast:—Moderate N. winds; fair.

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## THE THEATRE.

The Bandman Opera Company scored another success last night in their presentation of "Sergeant Brno," which delighted a large house. The piece was well mounted, and in the hands of a strong and capable cast the humor of the comedy lost none of its effect. Mr. Harry Cole, in the title role, was the mainstay of the production, and the policeman whose line was traffic, and who hesitated to strive for promotion because it involved "going in for crime," was an excellent study. He was ably supported by Mr. D. B. O'Connor as "Michael Brue," his son, who runs a small barber's shop, and by Miss Nora Morra, as "Aurora," his daughter, while Miss Georgia Corlas took the part of "Lady Bickmann" with credit. There were some good choruses, pleasing solos and duets and several pretty dances, while the enjoyment of the piece was enhanced by many topical allusions.

## THE SHANGHAI LAND INVESTMENT COMPANY, LTD.

The seventeenth annual general meeting of this Company was held on Feb. 22nd. The usual resolutions were all passed, after the Chairman, Mr. E. Jenner Hogg, had said—We keep up our ordinary dividend and carry forward a substantial sum, but having made no sales of property during the year, we cannot yet offer you another bonus. When last I addressed you I told you that we contemplated developments, and these we are carrying out. It has, in fact, been a year of preparation, of which the fruits may be safely expected to increase this year and to increase in those immediately following. We have added to our land by purchases to the extent of about 240,000 taels. We have improved our estates at a cost of some \$1,300,000 for roads, bridges, buildings, etc., and have spent \$1,500,000 on new buildings. All this development is promising very well indeed and cannot fail to add materially to our permanent earning power. The gross rentals show the satisfactory increase of \$1,280,000; but, on the other hand, our working expenses have been much heavier. With a view to keeping our properties in really good order, and in consequence, also, of some changes of tenancy involving redecorating, etc., beyond what is usual, there has been some excess in what may be considered ordinary up-keep. But beyond this we have had to meet the following items—About \$1,400 in consequence of the typhoon in September; \$1,500, repairs of a permanent character which should reduce us from outlay in this respect for some years to come; \$1,400 increase in taxation; \$1,200, insurance against fire, and of rentals—a new departure, but one that will be appreciated as giving us a definite security of our income; and over \$1,600,000 from increased rates of fire insurance, making a total of \$1,210,000. I should like to say a word as to these increased rates of fire insurance. I understand that they are considered necessary owing to the heavy losses sustained through fire in Chinese houses—too often, it is suspected, caused by incendiarism. It is notorious enough that it is the insurance of contents in their houses that leads to this, and it would appear that the keen competition for this class of business tends to some indifference as to the selection of risks. The inevitable we find in the frequent fires that occur; and because of the hazardous nature of these risks on "contents," the houses themselves are charged with enormous premia. The system cannot be entirely inevitable, and it is surely time that the middle should be put on the right horse—that the reckless insuring of "contents" should be discontinued, and that the owners of "contents" should be made to bear the burden that belongs to them, while house-owners should be charged a reasonable and legitimate rate on their buildings. To return to the accounts the working accounts show an increase in "Charges account," mainly due to passages of the staff. On the other hand, salaries and directors' fees are almost correspondingly less. As to Profit and Loss account there is nothing to say, beyond that the appropriations sanctioned at the last meeting have been made. The Reserve Fund, as you know, is built up from the interest accrued from undeveloped estates and stands at the substantial sum of \$1,228,813.96; and the Special Reserve Fund, intended for the equalization of dividends, has \$1,170,000 to credit for use if occasion should arise. Referring to the balance sheet, you will find some changes in and additions to the various estates, which have been fully dealt with in the Report, but in reference to No. 16, on Ferry Road, I should say that we are dividing up this newly-acquired property into small lots for sale, believing that we are, in consequence, a convenience to some of our shareholders and others who may desire small holdings; facilities for mortgage and building on such properties being afforded by the Company if desired. The amount of our mortgages, \$1,168,000, is rather less than last year. They are all profitable and are well covered. As to the current year, I may say that with an increased rental account and, I hope, a reduced proportion of working expenses, our accounts for 1906 should show improving result.

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## LATEST OPERAS &amp; SONGS.

Hongkong, 1st January, 1905.

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## COLD STORAGE.

THE HONGKONG ICE COMPANY, LD. have now 40,000 Cubic feet of Cold Storage available at EAST POINT. Storage will be open at 10 A.M. and 4 P.M. daily, Sunday excepted to receive and deliver perishable goods. WM. PALLANE, Manager, Hongkong, 18th November, 1901.

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## PURE FRESH WATER.

THE HONGKONG STEAM WATER TREATING CO., LD., is prepared to supply ANY QUANTITY of PURE FRESH WATER to the Shipping, both for Deck and Holders. Call Flag W. J. W. KEW, Manager, Hotel Mansions, 3rd Floor, Hongkong, 8th August, 1905.

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## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

## CITY HALL.

## ANNUAL MEETING.

THE ANNUAL MEETING of the Shareholders in and subscribers to the CITY HALL will be held at the CITY HALL, TO-DAY (WEDNESDAY), the 28th Feb., 1906, at 4 p.m.

By Order,  
F. B. L. BOWLEY,  
Secretary.

Hongkong, 28th February, 1906. [510]

## THE BOWLING CLUB, LIMITED.

## NOTICE.

MR. J. L. COTTER has as from January 1st, 1906, ceased to have any connection with the above Club.

All persons or Companies having any claims against the Club are requested to furnish an itemized account to the Secretary, Mr. E. G. JORDAN.

By Order of the Committee,  
A. B. MOULDER,  
Chairman.

Hongkong, 28th February, 1906. [517]

## THE CHINA &amp; MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE TWENTY-THIRD ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of Shareholders in the above Company will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICE, ST. GEORGE'S BUILDING, No. 6, Connaught Road, Victoria, on WEDNESDAY, the 14th March, 1906, at 11 a.m., for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the General Managers for the year ending 31st December, 1905, and of electing a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED on SATURDAY, the 10th March, to WEDNESDAY, the 14th March, both days inclusive.

SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,  
General Managers.

Hongkong, 17th February, 1906. [511]

## THE HONGKONG ROPE MANUFACTURING CO., LTD.

THE TWENTY-SECOND ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of Shareholders in the Company will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICES, ST. GEORGE'S BUILDING, No. 6, Connaught Road, Victoria, on WEDNESDAY, the 14th March, 1906, at 11.30 a.m., for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the General Managers for the year ending 31st December, 1905, and of electing a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

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SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,  
General Managers.

Hongkong, 28th February, 1906. [512]

## CHINA SUGAR REFINING CO., LTD.

## NOTICE.

THE TWENTY-EIGHTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of the Shareholders of the Company will be held at the OFFICES of the General Agents on WEDNESDAY, the 21st March, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1905.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 8th to the 21st March, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,  
General Agents.

Hongkong, 28th February, 1906. [513]

## TO LET.

NO. 5, SEYMOUR TERRACE, 4 Rooms, Furnished House with Garden. Furnished or Unfurnished from April or earlier.

Apply to—  
WONG KAM FUK,  
Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd.

Hongkong, 28th February, 1906. [514]

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, on SATURDAY, the 3rd March, 1906, commencing at 2.30 p.m., at his SALES ROOMS, DADDIE STREET, A QUANTITY OF VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE.

Comprising—  
TAPESTRY COVERED DRAWING ROOM SUITE, OVERMANTEL with BEVELLED MIRROR, EXTENSION DINING TABLE, TEAK SIBBOARD with BEVELLED MIRROR, DINNER WAGGONS, GLASS and CROCKERY WARE, OCCASIONAL TABLES, ICE CHEST, &c., &c.

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Terms—As Ordered.

On View from Friday, the 2nd March, 1906, Geo. P. LAMMER, Auctioneer.

Hongkong, 28th February, 1906. [515]

## "BEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.

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THE Steamship "BENVOLICH," Captain Thomson, will be despatched as above on or about the 15th March.

To be followed by s.s. "BENLEI," About the 25th March.

For Freight or Passage, apply to GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 28th February, 1906. [516]

## PUBLIC COMPANIES

## GREEN ISLAND CEMENT CO., LTD.

## NOTICE OF MEETING.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY, LIMITED, will be held at the Office of the Company, ST. GEORGE'S BUILDING, Chater Road, Victoria, Hongkong, on WEDNESDAY, the 7th day of MARCH, 1906, at 11.30 a.m., when the subjoined Resolution will be proposed:

RESOLUTION.  
That the Capital of the Company be increased to \$2,000,000 by the creation and issue of 50,000 NEW SHARES of \$10 Each fully paid up to be offered at par and if accepted to be allotted to the persons constituting the Shareholders of the Company according to the Company's register of Shareholders on the First day of July, 1906, in the proportion of One New Share for every three Old Shares in the Company held by the respective Shareholders thereof, the amount payable on each of such New Shares to be paid on the 31st day of July, 1906, and that failing such allotment as aforesaid the said New Shares be disposed of by the General Managers in accordance with the Company's Articles of Association, 1906.

Dated the 24th day of February, 1906.  
SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,  
General Managers.

Green Island Cement Co., Ltd.

## HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

## NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE THIRTY-SEVENTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of Shareholders in the above Company will be held at the OFFICES of the COMPANY, King's Buildings, Connaught Road, on WEDNESDAY, the 7th day of March, 1906, at 12 o'clock Noon, to receive a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1905, and the Report of the General Managers, and to elect a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 21st February to the 7th March, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,  
General Managers.

Hongkong, 13th February, 1906. [411]

## THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE CO., LIMITED.

THE THIRTY-SEVENTH ORDINARY MEETING of Shareholders in the Company will be held at the Company's Office, No. 3, Queen's Road Central, Victoria, on THURSDAY, the 8th March, 1906, at 12 o'clock Noon, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the year ending 31st December, 1905.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 23rd instant to the 8th proximo, both days inclusive.

By Order,  
C. PEMBERTON,  
Acting Secretary.

Hongkong, 10th February, 1906. [399]

## CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the above-named Company will be held at the Registered Office of the Company at Queen's Buildings, Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 10th day of March, 1906, at 12 o'clock Noon, when the Resolutions set out below, which were passed at the Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company held on the 15th day of February, 1906, will be submitted for confirmation as Special Resolutions.

By Order of the Board,  
JAMES WHITTALL,  
Secretary.

Hongkong, 17th February, 1906.

RESOLUTIONS:  
(1) That the Articles of Association of the Company be altered in the following manner—

The following Article shall be substituted for Article 130, namely—  
130. The Board, through its Secretary, shall make Yearly Statements of the Accounts of the Company from the 1st day of January to the 31st day of December, in each and every year, which shall be duly audited and presented to the Shareholders, at each of the Ordinary Meetings of the Company, together with a Report on the general position of the Company.

(2) That the Board, through its Secretary, shall make a Statement of the Accounts of the Company as from the 1st day of May, 1905, to the 31st day of December, 1905, which shall be duly audited and presented to the Shareholders at the next Ordinary Meeting of the Company to be held during 1906 and that, inasmuch as the Accounts of the Company have already been audited and presented to the Shareholders to the 30th April, 1905, no further or other Statements of the Accounts of the Company for the year 1905 shall be called for by, or presented to, the Shareholders in respect of Article 130 as this day substituted.

## HONGKONG &amp; SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

THE DIVIDEND declared for the half year ending 31st December, 1905, at the rate of One Pound and Fifteen Shillings together with a Bonus of One Pound Sterling per Share of \$125 is payable on and after Monday, the 28th day of February, Current, at the Offices of the Corporation, where Shareholders are requested to apply for Warrants.

By Order of the Court of Directors,  
J. R. M. SMITH,  
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 24th February, 1906. [495]

## HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

## NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE DIVIDEND of 12 per cent. per Share for the six months ending 31st December, 1905, declared at Monday's Ordinary Yearly Meeting, will be payable at the premises of the HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION on and after Tuesday, the 27th February, and Shareholders are requested to apply for DIVIDEND WARRANTS at the Company's Office, QUEEN'S BUILDING, New Praya.

By Order of the Board of Directors,  
THOS. I. ROSE,  
Secretary.

Hongkong, 27th February, 1906. [504]

## ENTERTAINMENTS

## THEATRE ROYAL, HONGKONG.

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Prices of Admission \$3, \$2 and \$1.

Seats can now be booked. Plan at the ROBINSON PIANO CO.

Doors Open at 8.30. Commence usual time. Hongkong, 24th February, 1906. [407]

## INTIMATIONS

## HONGKONG PHILHARMONIC SOCIETY.

THE First PRACTICE of "THE CRUSADERS" will take place on MONDAY, the 5th March, in the CITY HALL, at 5.30 p.m. Both VOCAL & ORCHESTRAL Members are requested to attend.

R. T. D. SAYLE,  
Hon. Sec. Hong Kong Philharmonic Society,  
Care of The Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd.  
Hongkong, 27th February, 1906. [503]

## HONGKONG GYMKHANA CLUB.

A MEETING of MEMBERS will be held at the COFFEE ROOM at the RACE COURSE, TO-MORROW (WEDNESDAY), 28th inst., at 5.15 p.m.

BUSINESS: To elect a COMMITTEE and draw up a PROGRAMME for the ensuing season.

C. G. MACKIE,  
Hon. Secretary and Treasurer.  
Hongkong, 24th February, 1906. [483]

## ZETLAND LODGE, No. 535, E.C.

A REGULAR MEETING of ZETLAND LODGE will be held at the FREEMASONS' HALL, on THURSDAY, the 1st March, at 8.30 p.m. p.m. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited to attend.

Hongkong, 23rd February, 1906. [476]

## NOTICES OF FIRMS

MR. RICHARD HANCOCK is authorised to Sign the name of our Firm per Procuration.

SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.  
Hongkong, 28th February, 1906. [502]

## THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE.

FROM this date, and during the Absence of Mr. Geo. L. TOMLIN from the Colony, Mr. C. PEMBERTON has been Appointed ACTING SECRETARY to the Company.

A. G. WOOD,  
Chairman.

Hongkong, 31st January, 1906. [309]

## BOARD AND RESIDENCE

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Mrs. G. SACHSE,  
"St. George's House,"  
Hongkong, 17th March, 1906. [44]

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Apply to—Mrs. F. W. WATTS,  
"Braside," 20, Macdonnell Road (late of "Tung Yuen").  
Hongkong, 27th June, 1906. [43]

## BOARD AND RESIDENCE.

MRS. GILLANDERS

"GLENWOOD," 27, CAINE ROAD.  
Hongkong, 20th September 1905. [3165]

## BOARD AND RESIDENCE.

TWO WELL FURNISHED BED ROOMS in Knutsford Terrace, suits either Gentlemen or Married Couple. Terms moderate.

Apply to—  
"M. C.,"  
Care of "Daily Press" Office.  
Hongkong, 6th January, 1906. [223]

## TO LET

BARROW TERRACE, (Kowloon) Nos. 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8.

SEYMOUR ROAD LOWER, No. 31. CAINE ROAD, No. 59.

STONEHAVEN, Robinson Road, No. 35. TANG YUEN, Macdonnell Road, No. 18 (12 Rooms).

JOE HOUSE STREET, No. 6 (1st Floor, 4 Rooms).

VAN CHAI ROAD, No. 94 (a Spacious Godown).

PRAYA EAST, No. 90, (Godown).  
Apply to—  
SAM WANG CO., LTD.,  
81, Queen's Road Central.  
Hongkong, 6th February, 1906. [366]

## TO LET.

TWO FURNISHED ROOMS in Private House. Suit Married Couple or Gentleman. Tennis Court.

Apply—  
Care of "Daily Press" Office.  
Hongkong, 24th February, 1906. [485]

## HONGKONG CLUB.

## TO LET.

TWO ROOMS on the Ground Floor of the annex, from 1st September next, suitable for Offices. For particulars apply to the undersigned.

C. H. GRACE,  
Secretary.  
Hongkong, 1st June, 1906. [110]

## TO LET.

HOUSE, No. 5, ROSE TERRACE, Robinson Road, Kowloon. Immediate possession.

HOUSE, No. 2, ROSE TERRACE, Robinson Road, Kowloon. Possession from 1st March, 1906.

Apply to—  
THE COMPADORE,  
Messrs. BARBANTO & Co.  
Hongkong, 2nd February, 1906. [336]

## HOUSE TO LET.

FROM May next, the Residence, No. 6, Morrison Hill.

Apply—  
W. G. WINTERBURN,  
Geo. F. WICK & Co., Ltd.  
Hongkong, 21st February, 1906. [461]

## TO LET.

NO. 1, RIVINGTON TERRACE.

No. 5, CLIFTON GARDENS, Conduit Road.

No. 6, CLIFTON GARDENS. OFFICES in course of erection, CONNAUGHT ROAD (near BLACK TERN).

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Apply to—  
THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LTD.  
Hongkong, 13th January, 1906. [177]

## TO LET.

TWO LARGE OFFICES on the First Floor of No. 24, Queen's Road Central, opposite the Post Office. Possession on or after the 10th December, 1905.

Apply to—  
WONG CHEE SANG,  
Care of YEE SANG FAT & Co.  
Hongkong, 30th November, 1905. [107]

## TO LET.

NEW "KINGSCLERE" with Stables entrances in both Kennedy and Macdonnell Roads.

For full particulars, apply to—  
LINDSEY & DAVIS,  
Alexandra Buildings, 3rd Floor.  
Hongkong, 17th February, 1906. [82]

## TO LET.

TOP FLOOR (5 Rooms) 19, Queen's Road, (above Messrs. GEORGE & Co.'s Office).

FIRST FLOOR (4 Rooms), YORK BUILDING.

Apply to—  
KELLY & WALSH, LD.  
Hongkong, 10th February, 1906. [398]

## TO LET.

NO. 74, CAINE ROAD.

Apply to—  
COMPADORE'S DEPARTMENT  
Nippon Yusen Kaisha.  
Hongkong, 3rd June, 1905. [80]

## TO LET.

NO. 1 and 2, HUMPHREYS' AVENUE, Kowloon. With immediate possession.

Apply to—  
HFP ON INSURANCE CO., LTD.,  
42, Bonham Strand West.  
Hongkong, 22nd February, 1906. [470]

## TO LET.

SEVEN EUROPEAN HOUSES, late F. Blackhead & Co. and Shevan, Tomes & Co.'s Office. Ground Floors and Top Floors with Godowns can be let separately on leases.

Apply to—  
CHUNG SHUN KOO,  
First Floor, No. 10, Queen's Road Central  
Hongkong, 19th July, 1905. [81]

## TO LET.

TWO GODOWNS, at East Point, close to the Water, suitable for the Storage of any Cargo.

Apply to—  
JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.,  
Hongkong, 20th January, 1906. [255]

## TO LET.

SPACIOUS GODOWN. Central position.

Apply to—  
X. X. X.,  
Care of "Daily Press" Office.  
Hongkong, 22nd December, 1905. [108]

## TO LET.

NO. 15, KNUTSFORD TERRACE KOWLOON.

Apply to—  
THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LTD.  
Hongkong, 2nd December, 1905. [77]

## TO LET

NO. 3 and 4, "FAIRVIEW" ROBINSON ROAD, Kowloon.

Kowloon Marine Lot 47 with Wharf Godown, No. 9 Zetland Street.

Apply to—  
LEIGH & ORANGE,  
1, Des Vaux Road.  
Hongkong, 27th February, 1906. [501]

## TO LET.

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Apply to—  
LAUTS, WEGENER & CO.,  
Hongkong, 4th March, 1906. [84]

## TO LET.

NO. 1, OBSERVATORY VILLAS, Kowloon. Fire Insured House; Tennis Court. Electric and Gas Lights.

Possession on 1st March, 1906.

Apply to—  
ARRATON V. AYCAR & Co.,  
45, Wyndham Street.  
Hongkong, 21st February, 1906. [462]

## TO LET.

GODOWN, No. 3, NEW PRAYA, Kennedy Town.

Apply to—  
HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LTD.  
Hongkong, 28th June, 1905. [78]

## TO LET.

NO. 5, "FAIRVIEW," Robinson Road, Kowloon. Semi-detached House, Moderate rental.

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### OUTWARDS.

FROM	STEAMER	TO	DATE
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL...	"AGAMEMNON"	On 1st March.	
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL...	"TRENKAI"	On 13th March.	
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL...	"KEEMUN"	On 17th March.	
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL...	"MACHAON"	On 20th March.	
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL...	"KINLUCK"	On 23rd March.	

### HOMEWARDS.

FROM	STEAMER	TO	DATE
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"ACHILLES"	On 13th March.	
GENOA, MARSEILLES and LIVERPOOL	"PELEUS"	On 20th March.	
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"ALCINOUS"	On 27th March.	
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"DIOMED"	On 10th April.	
GENOA, MARSEILLES and LIVERPOOL	"AGAMEMNON"	On 20th April.	
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"TRENKAI"	On 24th April.	

## TRANS-PACIFIC SERVICE.

Operating in conjunction with

## THE NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAY CO.

AND TAKING CARGO ON THROUGH BILLS OF LADING TO ALL OVERLAND  
COMMON POINTS IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND CANADA.

### EASTWARD.

FROM	STEAMER	TO	DATE
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA, & PACIFIC COAST PORTS, VIA NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKO- HAMA	"KEEMUN"	On 19th March.	

### WESTWARD.

FROM	STEAMER	TO	DATE
TACOMA, SEATTLE, VICTORIA and PACIFIC COAST	"OANFA"	On 25th February.	

For Freight, apply to—  
**BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,**  
AGENTS. [9-10]

# CHINA NAVIGATION CO. LIMITED.

WITH  
ZAMBOANGA, PORT  
DAWUN, THURSDAY ISLAND,  
COOK TOWN, CAIRNS,  
TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE,  
SYDNEY and MELBOURNE

FROM	STEAMER	TO	DATE
NINGPO and SHANGHAI	"KASHING"	On 3rd March.	
SHANGHAI	"SHAOHSING"	On 3rd March.	
YOKOHAMA and KOBE	"CHANGSHA"	On 6th March.	
MANILA	"TAMING"	On 6th March.	
SWATOW, MANILA, CEBU & ILOILO	"KAIFONG"	On 6th March.	
CEBU and ILOILO	"SUNGKANG"	On 7th March.	
NEWCHANG	"HUICHOW"	On 7th March.	

\* The attention of Passengers is directed to the superior accommodation offered by these  
steamers, which are fitted throughout with Electric Light. Unrivalled Table. A duly qualified  
Surgeon is carried.

† Taking Cargo on through bills of lading to all Yangtze and Northern China Ports.  
‡ Taking Cargo and Passengers at through rates for all New Zealand Ports and other  
Australian Ports.

REDUCED SALOON FARES, SINGLE AND RETURN, TO MANILA AND  
AUSTRALIAN PORTS.

For Freight or Passage, apply to—  
**BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,**  
AGENTS. [11]

Hongkong, 27th February, 1906.

# GREAT NORTHERN STEAMSHIP COMPANY

FOR SEATTLE, VIA SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE AND  
YOKOHAMA (PASSING THROUGH THE INLAND SEA OF JAPAN).

THE MAGNIFICENT NEW TWIN-SCREW STEAMERS,  
"MINNESOTA" AND "DAKOTA"

(EACH TONS 20,718 GROSS REG.)

Will be despatched from HONGKONG as follows:  
"MINNESOTA," Captain J. H. RINDER, On THURSDAY, 15TH MARCH, 1906.  
"DAKOTA," Captain E. FRANCES, On MONDAY, 23RD APRIL, 1906.

Conveying Cargo to the Pacific Coast, United States, and Canadian Overland Common Points  
also Passengers to the United States, Europe, &c.  
These Steamers are luxuriously fitted with spacious SUITES and STATEROOMS;  
equipped with CIRCULATING LIBRARY, MUSIC, SMOKING ROOMS, BARBER  
SHOP, NURSERY, STEAM LAUNDRY, &c.

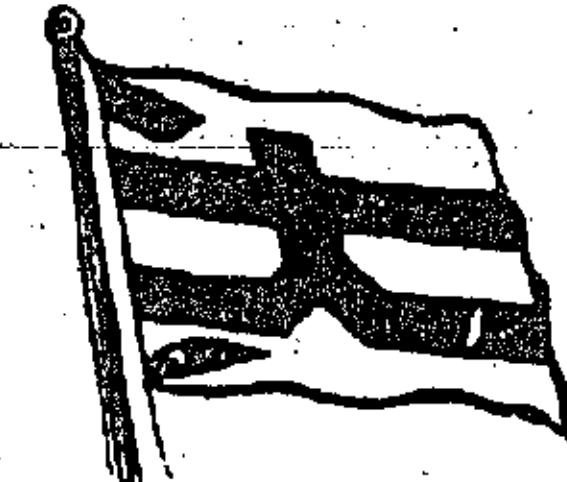
Special provision is made for the safe transit of SILK, TREASURE, and Valuable Cargo;  
and PARCELS carried at low rates to all points of U.S.A. in connection with the Great  
Northern and Northern Pacific Express Companies.

Trans-Pacific Cabin Passengers by this line can, if desired, TRAVEL BY RAIL between  
the ports of Nagasaki, Kobe and Yokohama WITHOUT EXTRA CHARGE. Also FIRST-  
CLASS RETURN TICKETS to Shanghai and Japan Ports are available for return by the  
steamers of the REGULAR MAIL LINES.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

**NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA,**  
AGENTS. [10]

Hongkong, 20th December, 1905.



# OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA.

REGULAR STEAMSHIP SERVICES BETWEEN  
HONGKONG, SOUTH CHINA COAST PORTS  
AND FORMOSA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—  
SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

FOR	STEAMER	LEAVING
TAMSAI VIA SWATOW AND AMOI	"DAIGI MARU"	SUNDAY, 4th Mar., at 10 A.M.
TAMSAI VIA SWATOW AND AMOI	"DAIJIN MARU"	SUNDAY, 11th Mar., at 10 A.M.
SHANGHAI VIA SWATOW AND AMOI	"ANING MARU"	THURSDAY, 8th Mar., at 10 A.M.
SHANGHAI VIA SWATOW AND AMOI	"SHOSHU MARU"	THURSDAY, 15th Mar., at 10 A.M.
ANPING VIA SWATOW AND AMOI	"MAIDZURU MARU"	WEDNESDAY, 7th Mar., at 10 A.M.

\* These Steamers have excellent accommodation for First-class Passengers, and are fitted  
throughout with electric light. Unrivalled Table.

† Taking Cargo on through Bills of Lading to all Yangtze and Northern China Ports.  
‡ For Freight, Passage, and further information, apply at the Company's local Branch Office  
at No. 5, Des Voeux Road Central.  
Hongkong, 24th February, 1906.

T. ARIMA, Manager. [14]

# NORTHERN PACIFIC LINE.

BOSTON S. S. CO. BOSTON TOWBOAT CO.  
CONNECTING AT TACOMA WITH

## NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAY COMPANY.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG FOR

## VICTORIA, B.C. AND TACOMA

VIA  
MOJI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

Steamer	Tons	Captain	Sailing Date
TREMONT	9,606	T. W. Garlick	On 28th February.
HYADES	3,753	J. Alwen	On 6th March.
LYRA	4,417	G. V. Williams	On 6th April
SHAWMUT	9,606	E. V. Roberts	On 28th April.

### Cargo only.

CHEAP FARES, EXCELLENT ACCOMMODATION, ATTENDANCE AND  
CULINARY. ELECTRIC LIGHT, DOCTOR AND STEWARDESSE.  
The twin-screw s.s. "SHAWMUT" and "TREMONT" are fitted with very Superior  
Accommodation for First and Second Class Passengers. The large size of these vessels ensures  
steadiness at sea. Electric fan in each room. Barber's shop and steam laundry. Cargo carried  
in cold storage.

## PARCEL EXPRESS TO THE UNITED STATES AND CANADA.

For further information apply to—

QUEEN'S BUILDINGS,  
Hongkong, 22nd February, 1906.

**DODWELL & CO., LIMITED,**  
GENERAL AGENTS. [7]

# IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINES.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN.  
EUROPEAN LINE.

STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO,  
ADEN, SUVA, PORT SAID, NAPLES, GENOA,  
ANTWERP, BREMEN/HAMBURG.

STEAMERS WILL ALSO CALL AT GIBRALTAR & SOUTHAMPTON  
TO LAND PASSENGERS AND LUGGAGE.

TAKING CARGO ON THROUGH BILLS OF LADING FOR ALL EUROPEAN,  
NORTH AND SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

STEAMERS	SAILING DATES
ZIETEN	WEDNESDAY ... 28th February
PRINZESS ALICE	... 14th March
BAIERN	... 28th March
PRINZ REGENT LUITPOLD	WEDNESDAY ... 11th April
PRINZ EITEL FRIEDRICH	... 25th April
SACHSEN	WEDNESDAY ... 9th May
PRINZ HEINRICH	... 23rd May
ROON	WEDNESDAY ... 6th June

ON WEDNESDAY, the 28th day of FEBRUARY, 1906, at Noon, the Steamship  
"ZIETEN," Captain F. von Blazer, with MAIL PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and  
CARGO, will leave this Port as above, CALLING AT NAPLES and GENOA.

Shipping Orders will be granted till NOON, on MONDAY, the 28th February. Cargo and  
Specie will be received on Board until 5 P.M. on Tuesday, the 27th February, and Parcels  
will be received at the Agency's Office until Noon, on TUESDAY, the 27th February.  
Contents of Packages are required. No Parcel Receipts will be signed for less than \$2.50,  
and Parcels should not exceed Two Feet Cubic in Measurement.  
The Steamer has splendid accommodation, and carries a Doctor and Stewardesses.  
Linen can be washed on board.

RATES OF PASSAGE MONEY FROM HONGKONG:	1st Class	2nd Class	3rd Class
TO NAPLES, GENOA AND GIBRALTAR	261 0 0	142 0 0	22 0 0
return	91 0 0	63 0 0	33 0 0
TO SOUTHAMPTON, LONDON, BREMEN AND HAMBURG	65 0 0	44 0 0	24 0 0
return	97 0 0	66 0 0	36 0 0

TO NEW YORK VIA SUEZ  
VIA NAPLES, GENOA OR GIBRALTAR ... 84 0 0 ... 44 0 0 ... 26 0 0  
return ... 115 0 0 ... 79 0 0 ... 47 0 0  
VIA BREMEN OR SOUTHAMPTON ... 63 0 0 ... 46 0 0 ... 27 0 0  
return ... 123 0 0 ... 83 0 0 ... 49 0 0

In the event of the passenger leaving the Mail Steamer at Naples, Genoa or Gibraltar and  
travelling to Bremen or Southampton overland the SAME RATES TO BE APPLIED AS VIA NAPLES,  
GENOA OR GIBRALTAR, but in this case the cost of the railway trip, etc., to be at passenger's  
expense.

TOUR VIA INDIA:  
Passengers have the option of using a Steamer of the British India S. N. Co. from  
SINGAPORE TO CALCUTTA instead of an Imperial Mail Steamer from Singapore to Colombo.  
The cost of the journey from Calcutta to Colombo by rail or steamer is, however, not included.  
INTERCOURSE OF THE VOYAGE IN INDIA:  
Passengers to European and New York are entitled to travel by the N. D. L. Mediterranean  
Steamers from ALEXANDRIA, to Naples or Marseilles instead of using an Imperial Mail Steamer  
from PORT SAID.

## JAPAN-CHINA-AUSTRALIAN LINE.

VIA NEW GUINEA.

FOR MANILA, SIMPSONHAFEN, FRIEDRICH WILHELSHAFEN,  
HERBERTSHOEHE, MATUPI, BRISBANE, SYDNEY  
AND MELBOURNE.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).

STEAMER	SAILING DATES
WILLEHAD	... 4763 tons ... TUESDAY, 6th March.
PRINZ WALDEMAR	... 3227 tons ... TUESDAY, 3rd April.
PRINZ SIGISMUND	... 3302 tons ... TUESDAY, 1st May.

ON TUESDAY, the 6th MARCH, at Noon, the Steamship "WILLEHAD,"  
Captain Obenauer, with Mails, Passengers and Cargo, will leave this port as above.  
The Steamer has splendid accommodation and carries a Doctor and a Stewardess.

Linen can be washed on board.

RATES OF PASSAGE MONEY FROM HONGKONG:	1st Class	2nd Class	3rd Class	1st Class	2nd Class
TO MANILA	\$50.-	\$30.-	\$20.-	return	\$50.-
TO NEW GUINEA	\$28.-	\$18.10	\$14.00	return	\$42.-
TO BRISBANE	\$30.-	\$20.-	\$14.-	return	\$54.-
TO SYDNEY	\$33.-	\$23.-	\$15.-	return	\$59.10
TO MELBOURNE	\$34.10	\$24.10	\$16.-	return	\$62.5
TO YOKOHAMA	\$50.00	\$30.00	\$20.00	return	\$170.00
TO KOBE	\$55.00	\$35.00	\$25.00	return	\$170.00
TO YOKOHAMA and back from KOBE TO HONGKONG	\$140.00	\$100.00			

THROUGH RATES OF PASSAGE MONEY FROM HONGKONG: 1st Class  
TO EUROPE VIA AUSTRALIA AND COLOMBO by Imperial Mail Steamer 407. 0. 0.  
TO EUROPE VIA AUSTRALIA AND AMERICA ... 96. 0. 0.  
From Australia to New York via Vancouver by the C.P.R. Co.'s steamers, or via San  
Francisco by the O. & S.S. Co.'s steamers, and from New York to Europe by the Magnificent  
Express Steamers of N.D.L.

## SAILINGS OUTWARDS.

## EUROPEAN & AUSTRALIAN SERVICE

SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, YOKOHAMA and KOBE	STEAMER	SAILING DATE
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, YOKOHAMA and KOBE	BAIERN	Friday, 2nd March.
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, YOKOHAMA and KOBE	PRINZ WALDEMAR	Wednesday, 14th March.
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, YOKOHAMA and KOBE	PRINZ REGENT LUITPOLD	Wednesday, 14th March.

\* Reaching Yokohama in less than six days.

TRANS-PACIFIC THROUGH TICKETS FROM HONGKONG via Vancouver or San  
Francisco to New York by the C.P.R. Co.'s steamers P.M.S.S. Co., O. & S.S. Co.,  
T. K. & Co. and from New York to Europe by the Magnificent Express Steamers of the  
Norddeutscher Lloyd are issued at the following Rates:—

To	1st Class
To London via Plymouth or Southampton	\$62. 0. 0.
To Bremen	\$63. 10. 0.
To Paris via Cherbourg	65. 0. 0.
To Naples, Genoa via Gibraltar	65. 0. 0.

For further Particulars, apply to

**A. LING & CO.,**  
FURNITURE STORE,  
PLATED GLASS AND CROCKERY  
WARE, &c., &c., and FOOCHOW  
LACQUERED WARE,  
68, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL,  
Hongkong, 21st September, 1903. [2355]

## SIENTING.

SURGEON DENTIST.  
No. 10, D'AGUIAR STREET.  
TERMS VERY MODERATE.  
Consultation Free.  
Hongkong, 21st September, 1905. 2174

# PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION CO.

HOMEWARD PASSENGER SEASON, 1906.

PROPOSED SAILINGS OF MAIL STEAMERS

## MARSEILLES AND LONDON.

TAKING PASSENGERS ALSO FOR

COLOMBO, INDIA, AUSTRALASIA, EGYPT, BRINDISI, &c.  
THROUGH TICKETS ISSUED TO NEW YORK.

Steamers to	Leave	Connecting Steamers	Due at	Due at
COLOMBO	HONGKONG	from COLOMBO to	MARSEILLES (Brindisi 2 days earlier)	PLYMOUTH (London 1 day later)
DONGOLA	8000	Mar. 10	MONGOLIA	10000
DELTA	8000	Mar. 24	MOULTAN	10000
OCEANA	7000	April 7	MARYORA	10500
ARCADIA	7000	April 21	VICTORIA	7000
DEVANHA	8000	May 5	HIMALAYA	7000
DELHI	8000	May 19	INDIA	8000

Passengers change steamers at Colombo, and those for Brindisi transfer also to the Express  
Mail Steamer at Port Said.

Accommodation in the connecting steamer from Colombo is arranged in Hongkong at time  
of booking.

In addition to the above Mail Steamers the following:—

INTERMEDIATE (non-transit) STEAMERS

WILL LEAVE FOR

## LONDON.

CARRYING SALOON PASSENGERS AT REDUCED RATES.

STEAMERS	TONNAGE	Leave HONGKONG	Leave SINGAPORE	Due at LONDON
* SUMATRA	3000	Feb. 26	Mar. 9	Apr. 14
* NUBIA	6000	Mar. 14	Mar. 23	Apr. 28
* JAVA	4500	Mar. 28	Apr. 6	May 12
* FORMOSA	4500	Apr. 11	Apr. 20	May 26

These Steamers will also call at Singapore, Penang, Colombo, and at Malta or Marseilles.

\* "SUMATRA" and "NUBIA" call at MARSEILLES.

\* "JAVA" and "FORMOSA" carry only First Saloon Passengers.

For Passage apply to

E. A. HEWETT,

Superintendent.

Hongkong, 6th January, 1906.

## JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LIJN.

REGULAR FOUR-WEEKLY SERVICE BETWEEN

JAVA, CHINA AND JAPAN.

STEAMER	FROM	EXPECTED ON OR ABOUT	WILL LEAVE FOR	ON OR ABOUT
TJIMAHU	JAVA	Second half of February	JAPAN via SHANGHAI	Second half of February
TJILWONG	JAPAN	Second half of February	JAVA PORTS	Second half of February
TJIPANAS	JAVA	First half of March	JAPAN via SHANGHAI	Second half of March
TJILATJAP	JAPAN	Second half of March	JAVA PORTS	Second half of March

The Steamers are all fitted throughout with Electric Light and have accommodation for a  
limited number of Saloon Passengers, and will take Cargo to all Netherlands-Indian ports on a  
through Bills of Lading.

For Particulars of Freight and Passage, apply to the

HEAD AGENCY OF THE

JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LIJN.

York Buildings, 1st Floor.  
Hongkong, 5th February, 1906. [16]

## VESSELS ON THE BERTH

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE.

REGULAR SERVICE TO VLADIVOSTOK.

THE Steamship

"DAPHNE" Capt. Schipper 4th Mar.  
(VIA SHANGHAI).

The steamer have superior First-Class  
accommodation for Passengers.

For Freight and Passage, apply to

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE,  
Hongkong Office.

Hongkong, 27th February, 1906. 500

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES  
MARITIMES

FOR SHANGHAI, KOBE AND  
YOKOHAMA.

THE Company's Steamship

"TONKIN,"

Captain Charbonnel, will be despatched for the  
above Ports on or about MONDAY, the 6th  
March.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,  
Agent.

Hongkong, 27th February, 1906. [2]



POST OFFICE NOTICES.

The following may now be obtained at the General Post Office counter—  
 Postal Guide ..... 30 cents  
 Parcel Post Tariffs ..... 20 "

The *Tonkin*, with the French mail of the 3rd February, left Singapore, on Monday, the 26th inst., at 4 p.m., and may be expected here on or about Monday, the 5th March. This packet brings replies to letters despatched from Hongkong on the 30th December.

A Mail for MACAO, is despatched per s.s. *Wingchei* on week-days at 5.00 p.m. On Sunday this mail for Macao is closed at 8.00 a.m.

Mails for CANTON, SAMSHUI and WUCHOW are closed on week-days at 7.30 a.m. and at 5.00 p.m.

Mails for \*HANKOW, \*NANTAO, \*SANBUE, \*KONOMOON, \*KUMCHUK, \*SAMKUT, and \*WUCHOW are closed every weekday, at 5 p.m. On Sundays the mails are closed at 9 a.m.

\*No mails are despatched to these places on Saturday evenings, unless previously notified.

MAILS WILL CLOSE

TO	DATE
Singapore, Penang and Colombo	Wednesday, 28th, 10.00 a.m.
Europe, &c. India via Taitoein	Wednesday, 28th, 10.00 a.m.
(Late Letters 11.00 to 11.30 a.m. Extra Postage 10 cents.)	
(Letters posted in all the Pillar Boxes in time for the first steamer will be included in this contract mail.)	
Swatow	Wednesday, 28th, 1.00 p.m.
Macao	Wednesday, 28th, 1.15 p.m.
Sandakan	Wednesday, 28th, 2.00 p.m.
Zamboanga, Port Darwin, Thursday	
Island, Cooktown, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, Hobart, Launceston, New Zealand, Melbourne, Adelaide and Perth	Wednesday, 28th, 3.00 p.m.
Swatow and Shanghai	Wednesday, 28th, 4.00 p.m.
Swatow and Bangkok	Wednesday, 28th, 4.00 p.m.
Swatow and Penang	Wednesday, 28th, 4.00 p.m.
Swatow and Saigon	Thursday, Mar. 1, 9.00 a.m.
Swatow and Manila	Thursday, Mar. 1, 11.00 a.m.
Singapore, Penang and Calcutta	Thursday, Mar. 1, 2.00 p.m.

TO-DAY.

Annual Meeting of the City Hall, 4 p.m.  
 Meeting of the Hongkong Gymkhana Club, 5.15 p.m.  
 Coffee Room, Race Course, 5.15 p.m.  
 Bandmann Opera Co., City Hall, 9 p.m.

COMMERCIAL.

**CLOSING QUOTATIONS.** February 27th.

Bank Bills, on demand	21 1/2
Bank Bills, at 30 days sight	21 1/2
Bank Bills, at 60 days sight	21 1/2
Credit, at 3 months sight	21 1/2
Documentary Bills, at 3 months sight	21 1/2
ON LONDON.—	
Bank Bills, on demand	26 1/2
Credit, at 4 months sight	26 1/2
ON GERMANY.—	
Bank Bills, on demand	21 1/2
Credit, at 3 months sight	21 1/2
ON NEW YORK.—	
Bank Bills, on demand	51
Credit, at 3 months sight	51 1/2
ON BOMBAY.—	
Bank Bills, on demand	15 1/2
Credit, at 3 months sight	15 1/2
ON CALCUTTA.—	
Bank Bills, on demand	15 1/2
Credit, at 3 months sight	15 1/2
ON SHANGHAI.—	
Bank Bills, on demand	7 1/2
Credit, at 3 months sight	7 1/2
ON YOKOHAMA.—	
Bank Bills, on demand	10 1/2
Credit, at 3 months sight	10 1/2
ON MANILA.—	
Bank Bills, on demand	12 1/2
Credit, at 3 months sight	12 1/2
ON BATAVIA.—	
Bank Bills, on demand	13 1/2
Credit, at 3 months sight	13 1/2
ON HONGKONG.—	
Bank Bills, on demand	23 p.p.m.
Credit, at 3 months sight	23 p.p.m.
ON BANGKOK.—	
Bank Bills, on demand	6 1/2
Credit, at 3 months sight	6 1/2
SOVEREIGNS, Bank's Buying Rate	9.50
GOLD LEAF, 100 fine, per tael	50.40
BAR SILVER, per oz.	30.4

OPIMUM.

February 27th.

Quotations are—	Allow 1/2 cent. to 1 penny.
Malwa New	\$1000 to — per picul.
Malwa Old	\$1050 to — "
Malwa Older	\$1100 to — "
Malwa V. Old	\$1175 to — "
Perian fine quality	\$1100 to — "
Perian extra fine	\$1150 to — "
Patna New	\$850 to — per chest.
Patna Old	\$820 to — "
Benares New	\$800 to — "
Benares Old	\$750 to — "

VESSELS EXPECTED.

**THE GERMAN MAIL.**  
 The I.G.M. str. *Bayern* left Colombo on the 21st Feb., a.m., and may be expected here on or about Saturday, the 3rd March.

**THE AMERICAN MAIL.**  
 The P.M. str. *Mongolia* left Yokohama on the 26th Feb., and is due here about 10th March.

**THE HONGKONG MAIL.**  
 The M.M. str. *Tonle* left Singapore on the 26th Feb., at 4 p.m., for this port via Saigon.

**THE CANADIAN MAIL.**  
 The C.P.E. str. *Empress of China* left Vancouver on Monday, the 19th Feb., p.m., for Hongkong via the usual ports of call.

**MERCHANT STEAMERS.**  
 The Glen Line str. *Glenora*, from London, &c., left Singapore on the 22nd Feb., p.m., for this port.

The N.D.L. str. *Borneo* left Sandakan via Bangkok on Wednesday, p.m., and may be expected here to-day, p.m.

The P. & O. str. *Socotra* left Singapore for this port on the 23rd inst., at 8 a.m.

The Mogul Line str. *Den of Kelly* sailed from Singapore on the 22nd Feb., at 5 p.m., and may be expected here to-day.

The O.S.S. & C.M. str. *Agamemnon* left Singapore on the 24th Feb., and is due here on the 1st March.

The G.N. str. *Changsha*, from Australian ports, left Thursday Island on the 19th Feb., and is due here on or about the 2nd March.

The A. & O. Line str. *Alban Prince*, from New York, left Singapore on the 24th Feb., a.m., and is expected to arrive here on or about the 3rd March.

The I.G.M. str. *Prinz Waldemar* left Sydney on Saturday at 3 p.m., and may be expected here on or about Saturday, the 10th March.

The Indo China str. *Konang* left Calcutta for this port via the Straits on the 23rd Feb., and may be expected here on or about the 12th March.

The P. & A. str. *Nicomede* left Portland on the 13th Feb., and should arrive in Hongkong about the 13th March.

The G.N. Line str. *Minnesota* left Yokohama for this port on the 22nd Feb., at 10 a.m.

The E. & A. str. *Argente* arrived at Yokohama on Thursday, the 22nd Feb.

The Barber Line str. *Salsana* sailed from New York for China and Japan on the 26th Jan.

The Boston Tow Boat Co.'s str. *Lyra* sailed from Puget Sound for Hongkong via usual ports on the 18th Feb.

JOINT STOCK SHARES.

Hongkong, February 27th.

COMPANY.	PAID UP.	QUOTATIONS.
Alhambra	\$200	\$100.
Bank—		
Hongkong & S'hai	\$125	\$800, ex div.
National B. of China	25	\$24, buyers
China Borneo Co.	125	\$24, buyers
China Light & P. Co.	125	\$24, buyers
China Provident	125	\$24, buyers
Cotton Mills—		
Ewo	125	\$24, buyers
Hongkong	125	\$24, buyers
International	125	\$24, buyers
Laou Kung Mow	125	\$24, buyers
Soychee	125	\$24, buyers
Dairy Farm	125	\$24, buyers
Docks and Wharves—		
Fairbank, B. & Co.	125	\$24, buyers
H. & K. Wharf & G.	125	\$24, buyers
H. & W. Dock	125	\$24, buyers
New Amoy Dock	125	\$24, buyers
Shai & H. Wharf	125	\$24, buyers
Farwick & Co. Geo.	125	\$24, buyers
Island Cement	125	\$24, buyers
Hongkong & C. Gas	125	\$24, buyers
Hongkong Electric	125	\$24, buyers
H. H. L. Tramway	125	\$24, buyers
Hongkong Hotel Co.	125	\$24, buyers
Hongkong Ice Co.	125	\$24, buyers
Hongkong Rope Co.	125	\$24, buyers
H'kong S. Waterboat	125	\$24, buyers
Insurance—		
Canton	125	\$24, buyers
China Fire	125	\$24, buyers
China Traders	125	\$24, buyers
Hongkong Fire	125	\$24, buyers
North China	125	\$24, buyers
Union	125	\$24, buyers
Yangtze	125	\$24, buyers
Land and Building—		
Hongkong Land	125	\$24, buyers
Humphrey's Estate	125	\$24, buyers
Kowloon Land & B.	125	\$24, buyers
Shanghai Land & B.	125	\$24, buyers
West Point Building	125	\$24, buyers
Mining—		
Charbonnages	125	\$24, buyers
Haults	125	\$24, buyers
Philippine Co.	125	\$24, buyers
Refineries—		
China Sugar	125	\$24, buyers
Leuzon Sugar	125	\$24, buyers
Steamship Companies—		
China & Amoy	125	\$24, buyers
Douglas Steamship	125	\$24, buyers
H. Canton & M.	125	\$24, buyers
Indo-China S.N. Co.	125	\$24, buyers
Shell Transport Co.	125	\$24, buyers
Do. Preference	125	\$24, buyers
Star Ferry	125	\$24, buyers
Do. New	125	\$24, buyers
Shanghai & H. Plying	125	\$24, buyers
South China M. Post	125	\$24, buyers
Steam Laundry Co.	125	\$24, buyers
Do. New	125	\$24, buyers
Stores & Dispensaries—		
Campbell, M. & Co.	125	\$24, buyers
Powell & Co. Wm.	125	\$24, buyers
Watkins	125	\$24, buyers
Watson & Co. A. S.	125	\$24, buyers
United Asbestos	125	\$24, buyers
Do. Four deers	125	\$24, buyers

STEAMERS PASSED THE CANAL.

Jan 28th—*Annua, Bengloe, Ghazee, 30th*  
*Fellodou Hall, Glenearn, Afghan Prince, Den of Kelly, Feb. 2nd—Agamemnon, Dacia, 6th*  
*Indra, Nore, Merionethshire, Socotra, Indrag, Indrag, Vandalia, 13th—Needles, Pelican, Sengam, Silvertown, Traz, 18th*  
*Idonene, Madelon, Ulysses, 20th—Benavere, Ajax, Pak Ling, Panna, Poma, Segovia, Vindobona, 21st—Regent, Lutpold, Athol, Condon, Riverton, 23rd—Albenga, Ambrisa, Arander, Belice, Kintuck, Roon, Philippo, Haver, Shangraung, Manon.*

PASSENGERS.

**ARRIVED.**  
 Per *Rubi*, from Manila, Mrs. D. E. Wolfe, Mrs. Thacker, Mr. E. Riva, Miss Cutler, Mr. H. Ebel, Mrs. Macdonald and child, Com. J. B. Milton, Mr. J. J. Kunzli, Mrs. Main, Master C. Arance, Messrs. E. Munzeli, J. M. Coleman, L. M. Go Sui, M. B. Zarate, Luis Go Chito, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Rein, Messrs. Maurice Aliz, Higgins, Mr. and Mrs. Waino and 3 daughters, Mrs. McGregor, Mrs. St. Brines, Mrs. O. Inouye, Messrs. O. Lakura, M. Inouye, J. Chater, Master Chater, and Mr. U. Targuchi, from Nagasaki, Messrs. Taketo Ni and A. Hara from Shanghai, Messrs. Daniels, Lenzburg, Hinson, Figgie, Mrs. Kreig, Mr. R. Schor, Mrs. L. Park, Mr. Eberhardt, Miss V. Buren, Messrs. C. Krenig, Wirth, J. Anderson, Assano, Rex, Kunze and family, Messrs. C. Maher and S. Roserio.

Per *Sumatra*, from Yokohama for New York, Mr. G. B. Frazer, for London, Miss Denning, Mr. and Mrs. G. Turner, Miss Hanger and Miss Harding; from Shanghai for London, Mr. and Mrs. J. Ballantine and 2 children, Rev. F. L. Norris, Mr. and Mrs. Bardon and 2 children, Messrs. C. E. Neilson, A. H. Huntley, Rev. and Mrs. J. Perry Bruce, Miss Page, and Mr. C. L. Low.

Per *America*, from San Francisco, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. McGregor, Master Leslie McGregor, Miss Celeste Easton, Mr. Wilfred Tarabull, Mrs. W. H. Avery, Mr. Charles A. Neff, Capt. Breach, and Mr. C. W. Frankel.

Per *Emma Lyken*, from Saigon, Messrs. Bell and Price.

HONGKONG TIME TABLE.

From February 28th to March 6th, 1906.  
 To correct Zone Time add 23 min. and 18 sec.

HIGH WATER.				LOW WATER.			
Week.	Day of Month.	Hongkong Mean Time.	Height.	Hongkong Mean Time.	Height.		
		h. m.	ft. in.	h. m.	ft. in.		
Wed.	28	0 15 a	5 2	0 11 a	2 2		
Thurs.	1	0 17	5 2	0 13 a	2 2		
Fri.	2	0 49	4 0	0 20	2 6		
Sat.	3	1 14	5 3	0 28	3 0		
Sun.	4	1 36	5 4	0 36	3 1		
Mon.	5	2 18	5 5	0 44	3 2		
Tues.	6	2 50	5 6	0 52	3 3		
Wed.	7	3 22	5 7	1 00	3 3		
Thurs.	8	3 54	5 8	1 08	3 3		
Fri.	9	4 26	5 9	1 16	3 3		
Sat.	10	4 58	5 10	1 24	3 3		
Sun.	11	5 30	5 11	1 32	3 3		
Mon.	12	6 02	5 12	1 40	3 3		
Tues.	13	6 34	5 13	1 48	3 3		
Wed.	14	No inferior	high-	nor low	water.		
Thurs.	15	4 7 a	5 9	0 51 a	2 2		
Fri.	16	8 23	5 9	0 59	2 2		